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SUBJ: PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

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1. MFA INFORMED USLO SEPTEMBER 7 THAT CHARTER FLIGHTS FOR SEPTEMBER 12 AND 22 APPROVED BOTH FOR ENTRY AND EXIT. CHINESE STIPULATED THAT POINT OF ENTRY AND EXIT TO AND FROM CHINESE TERRITORIAL AIRSPACE SHOULD BE 123.30E AND 31.30N REPEAT 123.30E AND 31.30N. MFA HAS ALREADY AUTHORIZED PRALO IN WASHINGTON TO ISSUE VISAS FOR CHARTER CREWS AND DESIRES TO HAVE VISAS ISSUED IN WASHINGTON RATHER THAN TOKYO. VISAS FOR THE THREE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE CHARTER CREWS (STATE 177320) ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION BY CONSULAR DEPARTMENT. WE WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN DECISION MADE.

2. MFA WISHES REPORTERS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TRAVELING WITH THE DELEGATION TO PAY THEIR OWN EXPENSES WHILE VISITING IN CHINA. AFTER ARRIVAL, THE INFORMATION DEPARTMENT WILL REQUEST THEY GO THROUGH THE FORMALITIES OF APPLYING FOR PRESS ACCREDITATION CARDS. THREE ONE-INCH PHOTOS OF EACH APPLICANT ARE REQUIRED. HOST ORGANIZATION, CHINESE PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION FOR FRIENDSHIP WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES, HAS ASKED FOR LIST OF ENCORES THAT ORMANDY PLANS TO PLAY.

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4. CHINESE HAVE HAD DIFFICULTY IN LOCATING A CELESTA AND REQUEST THAT ORCHESTRA BRING THEIR OWN IF IT REQUIRED.

5. APPROVAL OF CHARTER FLIGHTS MEANS THAT FIRST PERFORMANCES WILL BE IN PEKING. WE KNOW THAT CHINESE HAVE APPROVED DAY OF REST SEPTEMBER 13 AND REHEARSAL SEPTEMBER 14. WE LED TO BELIEVE THAT FIRST PERFORMANCE ALSO SEPTEMBER 14, THOUGH THIS NOT FORMALLY CONFIRMED. THIS IS AS FAR AS WE HAVE GOTTEN ON THE SCHEDULE, BUT WILL SEND MORE INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

6. MUSICAL PROGRAMS ARE SET. WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT PROGRAMS BE PRESENTED IN SERIAL ORDER 1, 2, 3, BUT CHINESE HAVE NOT FORMALLY APPROVED.

7. ORMANDY'S DESIRES RE ATTENDANCE AT SOCIAL FUNCTIONS HAVE BEEN PASSED TO MFA. WE HAVE ARRANGED PROTOCOL LISTING TO ENSURE THAT ESCORT OFFICERS AND SCHONBERG ARE INCLUDED IN SMALL GROUP MEETINGS, WITH OTHER PRESS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDED IN LARGER SUGGESTED GROUP, ENSURING PROPER PRESS COVERAGE.

8. NICHOLAS PLATT, CHIEF OF POLITICAL SECTION, WHICH ALSO HANDLES CULTURAL AFFAIRS, HAS BEEN DESIGNATED USLO ESCORT OFFICER. HE WILL MEET ORCHESTRA UPON ARRIVAL IN SHANGHAI AND BRIEF THEM ON WAY TO PEKING ON LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

9. CONCERNED THAT POUCHED BAGGAGE MANIFESTS WILL ARRIVE TOO LATE TO BE OF USE. WOULD IT BE WORTHWHILE TO CABLE MANIFEST?

10. DON'T BRING DINNER JACKETS.  
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